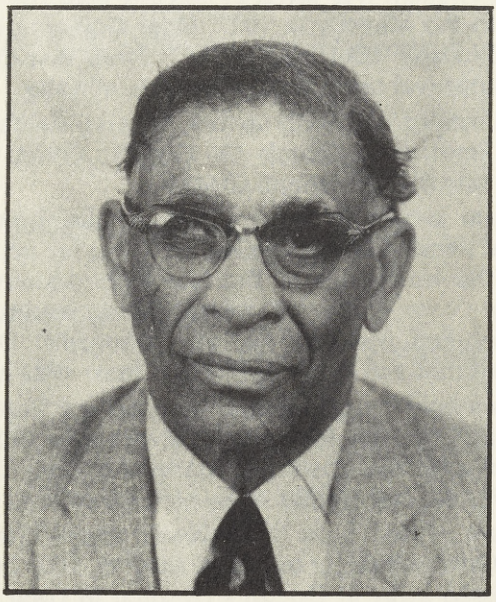
IN LOVING MEMORY

Of

# ELDER WALLACE L. GRAHAM, SR.



**Wednesday, May 18, 1988**

10:00 A.M.

**Emmanuel Church of God in Christ**

33rd & Compton

**Elder Leroy Mardis**

Officiant

# OBITUARY

ELDER WALLACE L. GRAHAM, SR., was born November 17, 1902, in Gibsland, Louisiana. He was the fourth child of seven children born to the union of Jordan and Fannie Perkins Graham.

Elder Graham grew up in Gibsland, Louisiana where he attended public school. He received his Christian training under the leadership of his mother, who was a licensed and well-known Missionary. Elder Graham was saved at an early age. The Lord called Elder Graham into the Ministry in 1927. Elder Graham preached his first sermon in Gibsland, Louisiana in 1927. From that day forward, God placed His approval upon Elder Graham's ministry.

In 1942, he moved his family to Los Angeles, California where he united with Emmanuel Church Of God In Christ, under the leadership of the late Bishop Samuel Crouch.

Elder Graham served in the capacity of the Sunday School Superintendent at Penial Church Of God In Christ for approximately 20 years under the leadership of the late Elder Murray. He later worked with the State Evangelist Board for approximately three years. He also worked with the National Evangelist Department. Elder Graham pastored the Humble Mission from 1982 to 1986.

Elder Graham held the position as an Assistant Superintendent in the Emmanuel District for four years. He was a faithful and conscientious worker with the Mission Department. Elder Graham expressed his love for all, and all that knew him, loved him.

Elder Graham retired from the Safeway Stores after 35 years of employment. On Wednesday morning, May 11, 1988 at 3:31 a.m., Elder Graham passed away at Doctor's Hospital in Long Beach, Ca.

Elder Graham was blessed to have a wonderful family with his union to Rosalie Graham. (Rosalie, who preceded him in death) which twelve children were born. In 1977, Elder Graham was married to Mother Rosie Harris. They were a loving and devoted couple. God blessed their marriage and they served in the ministry together.

He leaves to mourn: his wife, Mother Rosie Graham; two daughters, Rose and Lucy; seven sons, Sam, Willie, Leonard, Finist, Raymond, Otis and Thomas; three sisters, Essie Lee and Estella Phillips of Shreveport, Louisiana, and Nora Bryant of Oakland, California; stepchildren, H. B. Williams, A. B. Williams and Callie Williams; 30 grandchildren and 33 great grandchildren; a host of relatives and friends and the household of faith.

# ORDER OF SERVICE

PROCESSIONAL

SONG—"Because He Lives" ..... Demita James

SCRIPTURES—Old Testament – New Testament

PRAYER

SONG—"I'm Going Up Yonder" ..... James Taylor

REMARKS (Two (2) Minutes) ..... Sis. Fannie Blaine
Sis. Melvina Mitchell, Sis. Sibbie Jones

OBITUARY ..... Ms. Louise Arnett

SONG ..... Elder Shomake

EULOGY ..... Elder Leroy Mardis

RECESSIONAL

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**INTERMENT**

**Inglewood Park Cemetery**

## ACTIVE PALLBEARERS

ELD. W. T. HOWELL

ELD. THOMAS CASH, SR.

ELD. W. S. SMITH

ELD. HENRY DAVIS

ELD. MILTON COOPER

ELD. LINCOLN FULLER

## HONORARY PALLBEARERS

(SONS)

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